

Preliminary Amendment
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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

FIGS. 6, 11, 14, 19, 23-24, 26-28 and 34-35 have been amended to associate the correct figure legend with each individual figure so that they are now labeled as FIGS. 6A-6B, 11A-11B, 14A-14B, 19A-19B, 23A-23B, 24A-24B, 26A-26B, 27A-27B, 28A-28B, 34A-34C and 35A-35C, respectively. Also, FIGS. 12 and 15 have been amended to include "acquisition" in S1206 and S1506, respectively. FIGS. 13 and 16 have been amended to change from "Y" to --N-- and "N" to --Y-- in S1308 and S1608, respectively. Also, FIG. 19A has been amended to change the inequalities in the column of the Medium Rate performance level. FIG. 37 has also been amended to change "FS AU-0", "FS AU-1" to --FS AU-S0-- and --FS AU-S1--, respectively in the right column. Also, the bottom right box in the right column has been amended from "FS AU-2" to --FS AU-0--. Therefore, please replace the attached drawing sheets of FIGS. 6A-6B, 11A-13, 14A-16, 19A-19B, 23A-24B, 26A-28B, 34A-35C and 37 with the original drawing sheets for the same figures.

Attachments: Corrected Drawing Sheets for FIGS. 6A-6B, 11A-13, 14A-16, 19A-19B, 23A-24B, 26A-28B, 34A-35C and 37.

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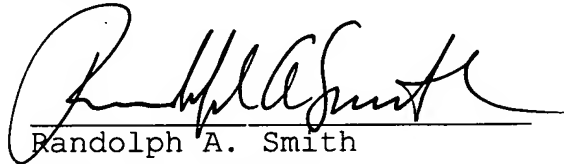
REMARKS

By this amendment, the title, the specification and the drawings for Figs. 6A-6B, 11A-13, 14A-16, 19A-19B, 23A-24B, 26A-28B, 34A-35C and 37 have been amended in the application. Currently claims 1-27 are pending in the application.

If there are any questions or concerns regarding this amendment or the remarks, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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